Facility Name: Parkins mill ww TF	County: Frederical
owner: Frederick Winchester Service Authority	Permit #: VA00 7 519
Expiration Date: 12,31,13	Dormit Writer Carle

	Date
Reissuance Reminder Package Sent (START PP FILE, UPDATE CEDS)	6.13.11
Application Due	7.4.12
Email or Phone Call to Offer App. Assistance(One Month Prior to Application Due Date)	7. 1.180
Application Received (UPDATE CEDS)	4.9.12
Warning Letter Sent (if necessary)	
SCC Certification Proof (for PVOTWs with >50 residences)	119
Additional Information Requested	1011
Additional Information Received	
Verification that all annual permit maintenance fees have been paid	4.9.12
Application Considered Complete (Notify Applicant)	
Application to VDH (if not sent by owner)	4./3./2
Comments Received from VDH	4.9.12
	4.16.12
Application Reviewed by Planning WQMP applicable? Y/N	4.9.12
Application Reviewed by TMDL Program – Impaired? Y/N	4.9.12
Application Reviewed by TMP Program – TMP necessary? (VN	4.9.12
Flow Frequency Requested	12.12.12
Flow Frequency Received	12.14.12
Site Inspection	7.5.12
Site Inspection Report	7.5.12
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES: Notify Local Government of Receipt of Application	NA
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES: Contact Commissioner of Revenue for Riparian/Adjacent Property Owners	NA
List of Riparian/Adjacent Property Owners Received	NA
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES: Notify Riparian/Adjacent Property Owners of Receipt of Application	NTI
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES/ON T&E List: Notify DGIF and/or DCR	12.12.11
Comments Received from DGIF	7.19.12
Comments Received from DCR	12.12.11
Draft Permit & Fact Sheet Prepared	8.7.12
Draft Permit & Fact Sheet To Peer Review	8-22-12
Draft Permit & Fact Sheet to BDK for review	9.14.12
Draft Permit & Fact Sheet to Planning, Pretreatment, & Inspectors for review	11.26.12
Planning Comments Received	_] _,WA
Pretreatment Comments Received	11.26.12
Inspectors Comments Received	NA
Draft Permit, Fact Sheet, & Public Notice Information to Owner	9.28.12
Draft Permit & Fact Sheet Concurrence Received from Owner (within 14 days)	10.12.12
MINORS WITH TMDL EFFLUENT LIMIT & ALL MAJORS: Application, DP, FS, & Checklist to EPA	11.19.12
EPA Comments Received	12,5.12
Public Notice to Newspaper (Electronic copy of Public Notice to Deborah Hawkins-CO)	10.18.12
Public Notice to Local Government, PDCs, & etc.	10.18-12
Newspaper Contacted to Verify Public Notice Receipt & Publication	10.18.12
First Public Notice Date	10.23.12
Verification from Newspaper	11.5.12
Public Notice Period Complete (Add Public Notice dates to Fact Sheet)	11.22.12
Enter All Applicable Information into CEDS (Events, Special Conditions, Billing Info, & etc.)	11-29-12
Enter Signature & Other Applicable Dates into CEDS (After signed)	
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Signature	B. Cawer	Dawn Alli-	Bull Lif	ato	
Date	11/26/12	11-29-12	12/6/12	12-17/12	



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

VALLEY REGIONAL OFFICE

Douglas W. Domenech Secretary of Natural Resources 4411 Early Road, P.O. Box 3000, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801 (540) 574-7800 Fax (540) 574-7878 www.deg.virginia.gov

David K. Paylor Director

Amy Thatcher Owens Regional Director

December 7, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Jesse W. Moffett, Executive Director Frederick-Winchester Service Authority PO Box 43 Winchester, Virginia 22604

Re:

Reissuance, VPDES Permit No. VA0075191, Parkins Mill WWTF

Dear Mr. Moffett:

The enclosed permit has been approved. This permit action involved reissuing an existing permit to discharge treated wastewater. Please continue to use the e-DMR program to submit the effluent data electronically.

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have thirty days from the date of service (the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a notice of appeal in accordance with the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia with the Director, Department of Environmental Quality. In the event that this decision is served on you by mail, three days are added to that period.

Alternatively, any owner under §§ 62.1 - 44.16, 62.1 - 44.17, and 62.1 - 44.19 of the State Water Control Law aggrieved by any action of the State Water Control Board taken without a formal hearing, or by inaction of the Board, may demand in writing a formal hearing of such owner's grievance, provided a petition requesting such hearing is filed with the Board. Said petition must meet the requirements set forth in §1.23(b) of the Board's Procedural Rule No. 1. In cases involving actions of the Board, such petition must be filed within thirty days after notice of such action is mailed to such owner by certified mail.

If you have questions about this permit, please do not hesitate to contact Brandon Kiracofe at (540) 574-7892 or brandon.kiracofe@deq.virginia.gov.

Sincer<u>el</u>:

B. Keith Fowler

Deputy Regional Director

Enclosure:

Permit No. VA0075191

cc:

EPA, Region III – 3WP12 (electronic)

L. Ferguson-Davie – VRO FileNet – VA0075191

## **MEMORANDUM**

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### **VALLEY REGIONAL OFFICE**

4411 Early Road - P.O. Box 3000

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

SUBJECT:

Reissuance of VPDES Permit No. VA0075191, Parkins Mill WWTF

TO:

**Deputy Regional Director** 

FROM:

Regional Water Permits Manager Black I. Kuffe

DATE:

December 6, 2012

COPIES:

**VRO Permit Processing File** 

**Other Agency Comments:** 

See Item 27 of the Fact Sheet for information on DGIF and DCR

comments on the draft permit.

No other agency comments were received.

Public Notice Comments:

No comments were received.

**Staff Comments:** 

None



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### Permit No. VA0075191

Effective Date: January 1, 2013

Expiration Date: December 31, 2017

#### AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE

## VIRGINIA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

#### AND

#### THE VIRGINIA STATE WATER CONTROL LAW

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act as amended and pursuant to the State Water Control Law and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the following owner is authorized to discharge in accordance with the information submitted with the permit application, and with this permit cover page, Part I -Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements, and Part II – Conditions Applicable To All VPDES Permits, as set forth herein.

Owner:

Frederick-Winchester Service Authority

Facility Name:

Parkins Mill WWTF

County:

Frederick

Facility Location:

158 West Parkins Mill Road, Winchester

The owner is authorized to discharge to the following receiving stream:

Stream:

Opequon Creek

River Basin:

Potomac

River Subbasin:

Potomac

Section:

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Class:

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Special Standards:

Amy T. Owens, Regional Director

Valley Regional Office

## Permit Required Special Condition and e-DMR Due Dates\*

Facility Name: Parkins Mill WWTF	Permit No: VA0075191		
Special Condition	Duc Date		
Submit 1st Year Pretreatment Annual Report	1/31/2013		
Submit 1st Year Public Notice for SIUs in SNC	3/31/2013		
Submit 1st Quarterly Acute Toxicity Test (January - March 2013)	4/10/2013		
Submit Industrial Waste Survey	6/30/2013		
Submit 2nd Quarterly Acute Toxicity Test (April - June 2013)	7/10/2013		
Submit 3rd Quarterly Acute Toxicity Test (July - September 2013)	10/10/2013		
Submit Reevaluation of Pretreatment Local Limits	1/1/2014		
Submit 1st Annual Chronic Toxicity Test (January - December 2013)	1/10/2014		
Submit 4th Quarterly Acute Toxicity Test	1/10/2014		
Submit 2nd Year Pretreatment Annual Report	1/31/2014		
Submit 2nd Year Public Notice for SIUs in SNC	3/31/2014		
Submit 2nd Annual Chronic Toxicity Test (January - December 2014)	1/10/2015		
Submit 1st Year Annual Acute Toxicity Test (January - December 2014)	1/10/2015		
Submit 3rd Year Pretreatment Annual Report	1/31/2015		
Submit 3rd Year Public Notice for SIUs in SNC	3/31/2015		
Submit 2nd Year Annual Acute Toxicity Test (January - December 2015)	1/10/2016		
Submit 3rd Annual Chronic Toxicity Test (January - December 2015)	1/10/2016		

1/31/2016

3/31/2016 1/10/2017

1/10/2017

1/31/2017 3/31/2017

7/4/2017

11/10/2017 11/10/2017

\*This list is intended to assist the permittee; however, it is not intended to supersede any permit requirements.

Submit 4th Year Pretreatment Annual Report

Submit 5th Year Pretreatment Annual Report

Submit Permit Reissuance Application

Submit 5th Year Public Notice for SIUs in SNC

Submit 4th Year Public Notice for SIUs in SNC

Submit 4th Annual Chronic Toxicity Test (January - December 2016)
Submit 3rd Year Annual Acute Toxicity Test (January - December 2016)

Submit 5th Annual Chronic Toxicity Test (January - October 2017)

Submit 4th Year Annual Acute Toxicity Test (January - October 2017)

e-DMR Monitoring Periods and Due Dates Based on Calendar Reporting			
Permit Effective Date	Monitoring Start Date	1 <sup>st</sup> DMR Due Date	Monitoring Period Example
1/1/2013	1/1/2013	2/10/2013	1/1/2013 - 1/31/2013
1/1/2013	1/1/2013	4/10/2013	1/1/2013 - 3/31/2013
1/1/2013	1/1/2013	1/10/2014	1/1/2013 - 12/31/2013
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#### EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. During the period beginning with the permit's effective date and lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfall 001.

This discharge shall be limited and monitored as specified below:

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS			<u>DISCHAR</u>	GE LIMITATIO	<u>ONS</u>		MONITORING RE	EQUIREMENTS
•	<u>Monthly</u>	Average	Weekly	Average	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	Frequency	Sample Type
Flow (MGD) <sup>a</sup>	N	L	N	Α	NA	NL	Continuous	TIRE
pH (standard units)	N	Α	N	ΙA	6.5	9.5	1/Day	Grab
CBOD₅ °	8 mg/L	150 kg/d	12 mg/L	230 kg/d	NA	NA	1/Week	24 HC
Suspended Solids c,d	30 mg/L	230 kg/d	45 mg/L	340 kg/d	NA	NA	1/Month	24 HC
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (as N)(Dec-May) c	3.5 mg/L	66 kg/d	5.2 mg/L	98 kg/d	NA	NA	1/Week	24 HC
E. coli (N/100 mL) <sup>b</sup>		26 ric Mean	· N	ÍΑ	NA	NA	1/Day 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Grab
Chloride (mg/L)	N	īL	N	IL .	NA	NA	1/Month	24 HC
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	N	Α	N	Α	7.1	NA	1/Day	Grab
Ammonia-N (Jun-Nov)(mg/L) °	1	.2	1	.5	NA	NA	1/Day	24 HC
Total Phosphorus - Year to Date (mg/L) c	N	IL	N	A	NA	NA	1/Month	Calculated
Total Phosphorus – Calendar Year (mg/L) c,e	0	.3	N	A	NA	NA	1/Year	Calculated
Total Nitrogen – Year to Date (mg/L) c	N	IL.	N	ΙA	NA	NA	1/Month	Calculated
Total Nitrogen Calendar Year (mg/L) c,e	4	.0	N	IA .	NA	NA	l/Year	Calculated
NL = No Limitation, monitoring require	$d \qquad NA = I$	Not Applicable	TIRE =	Totalizing, Indi	icating, and Recor	ding Equipment	24 HC = 24-Ho	ur Composite

1/Year = Annual sampling with the results submitted with the DMR due January  $10^{th}$  of each year

The design flow of this treatment facility is 5.0 MGD. See Part I.F.1. for additional requirements related to facility flows.

See Part I.B. for disinfection requirements.

See Part I.C. for additional monitoring and reporting instructions.

At least 85% removal for TSS must be attained for this discharge.

In addition to any Total Nitrogen or Total Phosphorus concentration limits (or monitoring requirements without associated limits) listed above, this facility has Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus calendar year load limits associated with this outfall included in the current Registration List under registration number VAN010057, enforceable under the General VPDES Watershed Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Watershed in Virginia.

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

# B. TOTAL RESIDUAL CHLORINE (TRC) AND E. COLI EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

If chlorination is chosen as a disinfection method, TRC and E. coli shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below.

1. Effluent TRC shall be monitored, following dechlorination, 12/Day by grab sample and limited as specified below. Samples shall be taken with a minimum time separation of 90 minutes and a maximum time separation of 150 minutes.

	Monthly Average	Weekly Average
TRC (mg/L)	0.0076 mg/L	0.0081 mg/L

- 2. TRC shall be monitored at the outlet of each operating chlorine contact tank, prior to dechlorination, 12/day by grab sample with a minimum time separation of 90 minutes and a maximum time separation of 150 minutes.
- 3. No more than 36 samples for TRC taken after the chlorine contact tank, prior to dechlorination, shall be less than 1.0 mg/L for any one calendar month.
- 4. No TRC sample collected at the outlet of the chlorine contact tank, prior to dechlorination, shall be less than 0.6 mg/L.
- 5. E. coli limitations and monitoring:

	Discharge Limit	<b>Monitoring</b>	Requirements
	Monthly Average	Frequency	Sample Type
E. coli	126	4/Month*	Grab
(N/100 mL)	(Geometric Mean)		•

<sup>\*4/</sup>Month = 4 samples taken monthly, with at least 1 sample taken each calendar week

The requirements in Part I.B.1-5 above, if applicable, shall substitute for the E. coli requirements specified in Part I.A.

## C. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS - ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Quantification Levels (QLs) shall be less than or equal to the following concentrations:

Effluent Characteristic	$\underline{\mathrm{QL}}$
CBOD <sub>5</sub>	2 mg/L
Suspended Solids	1.0 mg/L
Chlorine	0.10 mg/L
Ammonia-N	0.20 mg/L

## 2. Compliance Reporting

a. Monthly Average – Compliance with the monthly average limitations and/or reporting requirements for the parameters listed in Part I.C.1. above shall be determined as follows: All data below the test method QL shall be treated as reported. Arithmetic concentration and/or loading averages (as applicable) shall be calculated using all reported data for the month, including the defined zeros. These averages shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR). If all data are less than the test method QL, then "<QL" shall be reported on the DMR for the concentration and/or loading values. Otherwise the average values shall be reported as calculated.

- b. Maximum Weekly Average Compliance with the weekly average limitations and/or reporting requirements for the parameters listed in Part I.C.1. above shall be determined as follows: All data below the test method QL shall be treated as zeros. All data equal to or above the test method QL shall be treated as reported. Arithmetic concentration and/or loading averages (as applicable) shall be calculated using all reported data, including the defined zeros, collected within each complete calendar week entirely contained within the reporting month. The maximum weekly concentration and/or loading averages thus determined shall be reported on the DMR. If all data are less than the test method QL, then "<QL" shall be reported on the DMR for both the concentration and/or loading values. Otherwise the average values shall be reported as calculated.
- c. Any single datum required shall be reported as "<QL" if it is less than the test method QL. Otherwise, the numerical value shall be reported.
- d. The permittee shall report at least the same number of significant digits as the permit limit for a given parameter. Regardless of the rounding convention used (i.e., 5 always rounding up or to the nearest even number) by the permittee, the permittee shall use the convention consistently, and shall ensure that consulting laboratories employed by the permittee use the same convention.
- e. Nutrient reporting calculations The reporting calculations below shall be performed using the concentration monitoring required by the general permit, VAN010057.

For each calendar month, the DMR shall show the calendar year-to-date average concentration (mg/L) calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$AC_{avg}$$
-YTD = (  $\Sigma_{(Jan-current month)}MC_{avg}$ ) ÷ ( # of months )

where:

 $AC_{avg}$ -YTD = calendar year-to-date average concentration (mg/L)  $MC_{avg}$  = monthly average concentration (mg/L) as reported on DMR

The Total Nitrogen (TN) and Total Phosphorus (TP) average concentrations (mg/L) for each calendar year (AC) shall be shown on the December DMR due January 10th of the following year. These values shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$AC_{avg} = (\Sigma_{(Jan-Dec)}MC_{avg}) \div 12$$

where:

 $AC_{avg}$  = calendar year average concentration (mg/L)  $MC_{avg}$  = monthly average concentration (mg/L) as reported on  $D\dot{M}R$ 

For TP, all daily concentration data below the quantification level (QL) for the analytical method used shall be treated as half the QL. All daily concentration data equal to or above the QL for the analytical method used shall be treated as it is reported.

For TN, if none of the daily concentration data for the respective species (i.e., TKN, Nitrates/Nitrites) are equal to or above the QL for the respective analytical methods used, the daily TN concentration value reported shall equal one half of the largest QL used for the respective species. If one of the data is equal to or above the QL, the daily TN concentration value shall be treated as that data point is reported. If more than one of the data is above the QL, the daily TN concentration value shall equal the sum of the data points as reported.

## D. PRETREATMENT PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. The permittee's pretreatment program has been approved. The program is an enforceable part of this permit. The permittee shall:
  - a. Implement a pretreatment program that complies with the Clean Water Act, Water Control Law, State regulations and the approved program.
  - b. Submit to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office, an annual report that describes the permittee's program activities over the previous year. The annual report shall be submitted no later than January 31st of each year and shall include:
    - (1) An updated list of the Significant Industrial Users\* noting all of the following:
      - (a) facility address, phone number, and contact name;
      - (b) explanation of SIUs deleted from the previous years list;
      - (c) identify which IUs are subject to Categorical Standards and note which Standard (ie metal finishing);
      - (d) specify which 40 CFR part(s) is/are applicable;
      - (e) indicate which IUs are subject to local standards that are more stringent than Categorical Pretreatment Standards;
      - (f) indicate which IUs are subject only to local requirements;
      - (g) identify which IUs are subject to Categorical Pretreatment Standards that are subject to reduced reporting requirements under 9 VAC 25-31-840 E.3; and
      - (h) identify which IUs are non-significant Categorical Industrial Users.
    - (2) A summary of the compliance status of each Significant Industrial User with pretreatment standards and permit requirements;
    - (3) A summary of the number and types of Significant Industrial User sampling and inspections performed by the POTW;
    - (4) All information concerning any interference, upset, VPDES permit or Water Quality Standards violations directly attributable to Significant Industrial Users and enforcement actions taken to alleviate said events;
    - (5) A description of all enforcement actions taken against Significant Industrial Users over the previous 12 months;
    - (6) A summary of any changes to the submitted pretreatment program that have not been previously reported to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office;
    - (7) A summary of the permits issued to Significant Industrial Users since the last annual report;
    - (8) POTW and self-monitoring results for Significant Industrial Users determined to be in significant non-compliance during the reporting period;
    - (9) Results of the POTW's influent/effluent/sludge sampling, not previously submitted to DEQ;
    - (10)Copies of newspaper publications of all Significant Industrial Users in significant non-compliance during the reporting period. This is due no later than March 31st of each year; and (11)Signature of an authorized representative.
  - c. Within 180 days of the effective date of this permit, submit to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office a survey of all Industrial Users discharging to the POTW. The information shall be submitted to the POTW on the DEQ's Discharger Survey Form or an equivalent form that includes the quantity and quality of the wastewater. Survey results shall include the identification of significant industrial users of the POTW.
    - In lieu of the survey, the permittee may elect to develop, submit for approval and implement a plan to continuously survey the industrial community in their jurisdiction.
  - d. Submit any changes to the approved pretreatment program to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office and obtain approval before implementation of the changes.

- e. Ensure all Significant Industrial Users' permits are issued and reissued in a timely manner and that the Significant Industrial User permits issued by the POTW are effective and enforceable.
- f. Inspect and sample all Significant Industrial Users at a minimum of once a year.
  - (1) Sampling shall include all regulated parameters, and shall be representative of the wastewater discharged.
  - (2) Inspection of the Significant Industrial Users shall cover all areas which could result in wastewater discharge to the treatment works including manufacturing, chemical storage, pretreatment facilities, spill prevention and control procedures, hazardous waste generation and Significant Industrial User's self-monitoring and records.
- g. Implement the reporting requirements of Part VII of the VPDES Permit Regulation.
- h. Review the Enforcement Response Plan (ERP) and ensure it meets state and federal regulatory requirements. The approved ERP is an enforceable part of this permit and shall be implemented.
- i. Develop local limits or reevaluate local limits using current influent, effluent and sludge monitoring data and submit the data and results of the evaluation to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office within one year of the effective date of this permit. All Significant Industrial Users shall be sampled at the end of any categorical process and at the entrance to the treatment works.
- j. Ensure that adequate resources are available to implement the approved program.
- k. Meet all public participation requirements and annually public notice Significant Industrial Users in significant non-compliance with pretreatment standards and requirements for the previous 12 months.
- 2. The DEQ may require the POTW to institute changes to its pretreatment program:
  - a. If the approved program is not implemented in a way satisfying the requirements of the Clean Water Act, Water Control Law or State regulations;
  - b. If problems such as pass-through, interference, water quality standards violations or sludge contamination develop or continue; or
  - c. If federal, state or local requirements change.
- \* A Significant Industrial User is one that:
  - (a) Has an average flow of 25,000 gallons or more per average workday of process \*\* wastewater;
  - (b) Contributes a process wastestream which makes up 5% or more of the average dry weather hydraulic or organic capacity of the POTW;
  - (c) Is subject to the categorical pretreatment standards; or
  - (d) Has significant impact, either singularly or in combination with other Significant Dischargers, on the treatment works or the quality of its effluent.
- \*\* Process wastewater excludes sanitary wastewater, noncontact cooling water and boiler blowdown.

## E. WHOLE EFFLUENT TOXICITY (WET) REQUIREMENTS

1. In accordance with the schedule in Part I.E.5., the permittee shall conduct quarterly acute and annual chronic toxicity tests using 24-hour flow-proportioned composite samples of final effluent collected from Outfall 001.

The acute tests shall be a 48-Hour Static Acute test using *Ceriodaphnia dubia* and a 48-Hour Static Acute test using *Pimephales promelas*. Each test shall be performed with a minimum of 5 dilutions, derived geometrically, with a minimum of 4 replicates per dilution and a minimum of 5 organisms per replicate for calculation of a valid No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (NOAEC). The NOAEC, should be determined by hypothesis testing. The LC<sub>50</sub> should also be determined, noted, and submitted in the required test report. Tests in which control survival is less than 90% are not acceptable. Any retest of an unacceptable test must be performed within the same testing period as the unacceptable test.

The chronic tests shall be a Chronic 3-Brood Static Renewal Survival and Reproduction Test using *Ceriodaphnia dubia* and a Chronic 7-Day Static Renewal Survival and Growth Test using *Pimephales promelas*. Each test shall be performed with a minimum of 5 dilutions, derived geometrically, in order to determine the No Observed Effect Concentration (NOEC) for survival and reproduction or growth. Results which cannot be determined (i.e. a "less than" or "zero" NOEC value) are not acceptable, and a retest requiring further dilution must be performed. Any retest of an unacceptable test must be performed within the same testing period as the unacceptable test. Such "less than" or "zero" results must be submitted and will be regarded as evidence of effluent toxicity. Express the results as chronic Toxicity Units (TU<sub>c</sub>) by dividing 100/NOEC. Report the LC<sub>50</sub> for each chronic test at the 48-hour point, and the IC<sub>25</sub>, if calculable, with the NOECs in the required test report.

- 2. During the term of the permit, the permittee may provide additional samples to address data variability. These data shall be reported and may be included in the evaluation of effluent toxicity. Test procedures and reporting shall be in accordance with the WET testing methods cited in 40 CFR 136.3.
- 3. The test dilutions shall be able to determine compliance with the following endpoints:
  - a. Acute NOAEC of 100%
  - b. Chronic NOEC of 100%, equivalent to 1.0 TU<sub>c</sub>
- 4. The test data will be evaluated for reasonable potential at the conclusion of the permit term. The data may be evaluated sooner if requested by the permittee, or if toxicity has been noted. Should evaluation of the data indicate that a limit is needed, a WET limit and compliance schedule may be required and the toxicity tests of Part I.E.1. may be discontinued. If the data indicate that no limit is needed, the permittee shall continue acute and chronic toxicity testing of the outfall annually, as specified in Part I.E.5. and Part I.E.6.
- 5. The permittee shall supply 1 copy of the acute toxicity tests specified in Part I.E.1. in accordance with the following schedule:

Monitoring Period	Testing Period	Report Submittal Dates
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	January 1 – March 31, 2013	April 10, 2013
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	April 1 – June 30, 2013	July 10, 2013
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	July 1 – September 30, 2013	October 10, 2013
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	October 1 – December 31, 2013	January 10, 2014
1 <sup>st</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2014	January 10, 2015
2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2015	January 10, 2016
3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2016	January 10, 2017
4 <sup>th</sup> Annual	January 1 – October 31, 2017	November 10, 2017

6. The permittee shall supply 1 copy of the chronic toxicity tests specified in Part I.E.1. in accordance with the following schedule:

Monitoring Period	Testing Period	Report Submittal Dates
1 <sup>st</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2013	January 10, 2014
2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2014	January 10, 2015
3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2015	January 10, 2016
4 <sup>th</sup> Annual	January 1 – December 31, 2016	January 10, 2017
5 <sup>th</sup> Annual	January 1 – October 31, 2017	November 10, 2017

## F. OTHER REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. 95% Capacity Reopener – A written notice and a plan of action for ensuring continued compliance with the terms of this permit shall be submitted to:

Department of Environmental Quality Valley Regional Office P.O. Box 3000 Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

when the monthly average influent flow to the wastewater treatment facility reaches 95 percent of the design capacity authorized in this permit for each month of any three consecutive month period. The written notice shall be submitted within 30 days and the plan of action shall be received at the DEQ-Valley Regional Office no later than 90 days from the third consecutive month for which the flow reached 95 percent of the design capacity. The plan shall include the necessary steps and a prompt schedule of implementation for controlling any current or reasonably anticipated problem resulting from high influent flows. Failure to submit an adequate plan in a timely manner shall be deemed a violation of this permit.

- 2. Indirect Dischargers The permittee shall provide adequate notice to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office of the following:
  - a. Any new introduction of pollutants into the treatment works from an indirect discharger which would be subject to Section 301 or 306 of the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law if it were directly discharging those pollutants; and
  - b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the treatment works by a source introducing pollutants into the treatment works at the time of issuance of this permit.

Adequate notice shall include information on 1) the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the treatment works, and 2) any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the treatment works.

3. Materials Handling/Storage – Any and all product, materials, industrial wastes, and/or other wastes resulting from the purchase, sale, mining, extraction, transport, preparation, and/or storage of raw or intermediate materials, final product, by-product or wastes, shall be handled, disposed of, and/or stored in such a manner so as not to permit a discharge of such product, materials, industrial wastes, and/or other wastes to State waters, except as expressly authorized.

4. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Manual Requirement – The permittee shall maintain a current O&M Manual for the treatment works that is in accordance with Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Regulations, 9VAC25-31 and (for sewage treatment plants) Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations, 9 VAC 25-790.

The O&M Manual and subsequent revisions shall include the manual effective date and meet Part II.K.2 and Part II.K.4 Signatory Requirements of the permit. Any changes in the practices and procedures followed by the permittee shall be documented in the O&M Manual within 90 days of the effective date of the changes. The permittee shall operate the treatment works in accordance with the O&M Manual and shall make the O&M Manual available to DEQ personnel for review during facility inspections. Within 30 days of a request by DEQ, the current O&M Manual shall be submitted to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office for review and approval.

The O&M Manual shall detail the practices and procedures which will be followed to ensure compliance with the requirements of this permit. This manual shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following items, as appropriate:

- a. Permitted outfall locations and techniques to be employed in the collection, preservation, and analysis of effluent, storm water, and sludge samples;
- b. Procedures for measuring and recording the duration and volume of treated wastewater discharged;
- c. Discussion of Best Management Practices, if applicable;
- d. Procedures for handling, storing, and disposing of all wastes, fluids, and pollutants characterized in Part I.F.3 that will prevent these materials from reaching state waters. List type and quantity of wastes, fluids, and pollutants (e.g. chemicals) stored at this facility;
- e. Discussion of treatment works design, treatment works operation, routine preventative maintenance of units within the treatment works, critical spare parts inventory and record keeping;
- f. Plan for the management and/or disposal of waste solids and residues;
- g. Hours of operation and staffing requirements for the plant to ensure effective operation of the treatment works and maintain permit compliance;
- h. List of facility, local, and state emergency contacts;
- i. Procedures for reporting and responding to any spills/overflows/ treatment works upsets; and
- j. Procedures for documenting compliance with the permit requirement that there shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.
- 5. Certificate to Construct (CTC) / Certificate to Operate (CTO) Requirement The permittee shall, in accordance with the DEQ Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulation (9 VAC 25-790), obtain a CTC and a CTO prior to constructing and operating the wastewater treatment works. Noncompliance with the CTC or CTO shall be deemed a violation of the permit.
- 6. Sludge Management Plan (SMP) Requirement The permittee shall conduct all sewage sludge use or disposal activities in accordance with the SMP approved with the reissuance of this permit. Any proposed changes in the sewage sludge use or disposal practices or procedures followed by the permittee shall be documented and submitted for DEQ approval 90 days prior to the effective date of the changes. Upon approval, the SMP becomes an enforceable part of the permit. This permit may be modified or, alternatively, revoked and reissued to incorporate limitations/conditions necessitated by substantive changes in sewage sludge use or disposal practices.
- 7. Licensed Operator Requirement The permittee shall employ or contract at least one Class I licensed wastewater works operator for this facility. The license shall be issued in accordance with Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia and the regulations of the Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators. The permittee shall notify the DEQ-Valley Regional Office in writing whenever he is not complying, or has grounds for anticipating he will not comply with this requirement. The notification shall include a statement of reasons and a prompt schedule for achieving compliance.

- 8. Reliability Class The permitted treatment works shall meet Reliability Class I.
- 9. Treatment Works Closure Plan If the permittee plans an expansion or upgrade to replace the existing treatment works, or if the facility is permanently closed, the permittee shall submit to the DEQ-Valley Regional Office a closure plan for the existing treatment works. The plan shall address the following information as a minimum: Verification of elimination of sources and/or alternate treatment scheme; treatment, removal and final disposition of residual wastewater and solids; removal/demolition/disposal of structures, equipment, piping and appurtenances; site grading, and erosion and sediment control; restoration of site vegetation; access control; fill materials; and proposed land use (post-closure) of the site. The plan should contain proposed dates for beginning and completion of the work. The plan must be approved by the DEQ prior to implementation. The permittee may continue discharging until the effluent no longer meets the permit limits or the permit expires, whichever occurs first.
- 10. Reopeners This permit may be modified or, alternatively, revoked and reissued:
  - a. If any approved waste load allocation procedure, pursuant to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, imposes waste load allocations, limits or conditions on the facility that are not consistent with the permit requirements; or
  - b. To incorporate technology-based effluent concentration limitations for nutrients in conjunction with the installation of nutrient control technology, whether by new construction, expansion or upgrade; or
  - c. To incorporate alternative nutrient limitations and/or monitoring requirements, should:
    - (1) the State Water Control Board adopt new nutrient standards for the water body receiving the discharge, including the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries; or
    - (2) a future water quality regulation or statute require new or alternative nutrient control; or
  - d. If any applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal promulgated under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act is more stringent than any requirements for sludge use or disposal in this permit, or controls a pollutant or practice not limited in this permit.
- 11. The annual average concentration limitations for TN and/or TP are suspended during any calendar year in which the facility is considered by DEQ to be a participant in the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program in good standing at either the Exemplary Environmental Enterprise (E3) level or the Extraordinary Environmental Enterprise (E4) level, provided that the following conditions have also been met:
  - The facility has applied for (or renewed) participation, been accepted, maintained a record of sustained compliance and submitted an annual report according to the program guidelines;
  - b. The facility has demonstrated that they have in place a fully implemented environmental management system (EMS) with an alternative compliance method that includes operation of installed nutrient removal technologies to achieve the annual average concentration limitations; and
  - c. The E3/E4 designation from DEQ and implementation of the EMS has been in effect for the full calendar year.

The annual average concentration limitations for TN and/or TP, as applicable, are not suspended in any calendar year following a year in which the facility failed to achieve the annual average concentration limitations as required by Part I.F.11.b.

12. Effluent Monitoring Frequencies – If the facility permitted herein is issued a Notice of Violation for any of the parameters listed below, then the following effluent monitoring frequencies shall become effective upon written notice from DEQ and remain in effect until permit expiration.

<u>Parameter</u>	Monitoring Frequency
$CBOD_5$	1/Day
Ammonia-N.	1/Day

#### CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL VPDES PERMITS

## A. Monitoring

- 1. Samples and measurements taken as required by this permit shall be representative of the monitored activity.
- 2. Monitoring shall be conducted according to procedures approved under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or alternative methods approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, unless other procedures have been specified in this permit.
- 3. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals that will insure accuracy of measurements.
- Samples taken as required by this permit shall be analyzed in accordance with 1VAC30-45, Certification for Noncommercial Environmental Laboratories, or 1VAC30-46, Accreditation for Commercial Environmental Laboratories.

#### B. Records

- 1. Records of monitoring information shall include:
  - a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
  - b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
  - c. The date(s) and time(s) analyses were performed;
  - d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
  - e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
  - f. The results of such analyses.
- 2. Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at least five years, the permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period of retention shall be extended automatically during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the regulated activity or regarding control standards applicable to the permittee, or as requested by the Board.

## C. Reporting Monitoring Results

1. The permittee shall submit the results of the monitoring required by this permit not later than the 10th day of the month after monitoring takes place, unless another reporting schedule is specified elsewhere in this permit. Monitoring results shall be submitted to:

Department of Environmental Quality Valley Regional Office P.O. Box 3000 Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

- 2. Monitoring results shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) or on forms provided, approved or specified by the Department.
- 3. If the permittee monitors any pollutant specifically addressed by this permit more frequently than required by this permit using test procedures approved under Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or using other test procedures approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or using procedures specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR or reporting form specified by the Department.
- 4. Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.

## D. Duty to Provide Information

The permittee shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any information which the Board may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The Board may require the permittee to furnish, upon request, such plans, specifications, and other pertinent information as may be necessary to determine the effect of the wastes from his discharge on the quality of State waters, or such other information as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the State Water Control Law. The permittee shall also furnish to the Department upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

## E. Compliance Schedule Reports

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.

#### F. Unauthorized Discharges

Except in compliance with this permit, or another permit issued by the Board, it shall be unlawful for any person to:

- 1. Discharge into State waters sewage, industrial wastes, other wastes, or any noxious or deleterious substances; or
- 2. Otherwise alter the physical, chemical or biological properties of such State waters and make them detrimental to the public health, or to animal or aquatic life, or to the use of such waters for domestic or industrial consumption, or for recreation, or for other uses.

#### G. Reports of <u>Unauthorized Discharges</u>

Any permittee who discharges or causes or allows a discharge of sewage, industrial waste, other wastes or any noxious or deleterious substance into or upon State waters in violation of Part H.F.; or who discharges or causes or allows a discharge that may reasonably be expected to enter State waters in violation of Part II.F., shall notify the Department of the discharge immediately upon discovery of the discharge, but in no case later than 24 hours after said discovery. A written report of the unauthorized discharge shall be submitted to the Department, within five days of discovery of the discharge. The written report shall contain:

- 1. A description of the nature and location of the discharge;
- 2. The cause of the discharge;
- 3. The date on which the discharge occurred;
- 4. The length of time that the discharge continued;
- 5. The volume of the discharge;
- 6. If the discharge is continuing, how long it is expected to continue;
- 7. If the discharge is continuing, what the expected total volume of the discharge will be; and
- 8. Any steps planned or taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent a recurrence of the present discharge or any future discharges not authorized by this permit.

Discharges reportable to the Department under the immediate reporting requirements of other regulations are exempted from this requirement.

## H. Reports of Unusual or Extraordinary Discharges

If any unusual or extraordinary discharge including a bypass or upset should occur from a treatment works and the discharge enters or could be expected to enter State waters, the permittee shall promptly notify, in no case later than 24 hours, the Department by telephone after the discovery of the discharge. This notification shall provide all available details of the incident, including any adverse affects on aquatic life and the known number of fish killed. The permittee shall reduce the report to writing and shall submit it to the Department within five days of discovery of the discharge in accordance with Part II.1.2. Unusual and extraordinary discharges include but are not limited to any discharge resulting from:

- 1. Unusual spillage of materials resulting directly or indirectly from processing operations;
- 2. Breakdown of processing or accessory equipment;
- 3. Failure or taking out of service some or all of the treatment works; and
- 4. Flooding or other acts of nature.

## I. Reports of Noncompliance

The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may adversely affect State waters or may endanger public health.

- 1. An oral report shall be provided within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The following shall be included as information which shall be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:
  - a. Any unanticipated bypass; and
  - b. Any upset which causes a discharge to surface waters.
- 2. A written report shall be submitted within 5 days and shall contain:
  - a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
  - b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and
  - c. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

The Board may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis for reports of noncompliance under Part II.I. if the oral report has been received within 24 hours and no adverse impact on State waters has been reported.

3. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Parts II.I.1. or 2., in writing, at the time the next monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part II.I.2.

NOTE: The immediate (within 24 hours) reports required in Parts II.G, H, and I may be made to the Department's Valley Regional Office at (540) 574-7800 (voice) or (540) 574-7878 (fax). For reports outside normal working hours, leave a message and this shall fulfill the immediate reporting requirement. For emergencies, the Virginia Department of Emergency Services maintains a 24-hour telephone service at 1-800-468-8892.

## J. Notice of Planned Changes

- 1. The permittee shall give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:
  - a. The permittee plans alteration or addition to any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced:
    - (1) After promulgation of standards of performance under Section 306 of the Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source; or
    - (2) After proposal of standards of performance in accordance with Section 306 of the Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source, but only if the standards are promulgated in accordance with Section 306 within 120 days of their proposal;
  - b. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations nor to notification requirements specified elsewhere in this permit; or
  - c. The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit, including notification of additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit application process or not reported pursuant to an approved land application plan.
- 2. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

## K. Signatory Requirements

- 1. Applications. All permit applications shall be signed as follows:
  - a. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (i) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures;
  - b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or
  - c. For a municipality, State, Federal, or other public agency: By either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a public agency includes: (i) The chief executive officer of the agency, or (ii) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.

- 2. Reports, etc. All reports required by permits, and other information requested by the Board shall be signed by a person described in Part II.K.1., or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described in Part II.K.1.;
  - b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.); and
  - c. The written authorization is submitted to the Department.
- 3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under Part II.K.2. is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part II.K.2. shall be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, or information to be signed by an authorized representative.
- 4. Certification. Any person signing a document under Parts II.K.1. or 2. shall make the following certification: "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

#### L. Duty to Comply

The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act, except that noncompliance with certain provisions of this permit may constitute a violation of the State Water Control Law but not the Clean Water Act. Permit noncompliance is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application. The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions or standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, even if this permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

#### M. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. All permittees with a currently effective permit shall submit a new application at least 180 days before the expiration date of the existing permit, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Board. The Board shall not grant permission for applications to be submitted later than the expiration date of the existing permit.

#### N. Effect of a Permit

This permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or invasion of personal rights, or any infringement of Federal, State or local law or regulations.

#### O. State Law

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action under, or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any other State law or regulation or under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Clean Water Act. Except as provided in permit conditions on "bypassing" (Part II.U.), and "upset" (Part II.V.) nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil and criminal penalties for noncompliance.

## P. Oil and Hazardous Substance Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Sections 62.1-44.34:14 through 62.1-44.34:23 of the State Water Control Law.

#### Q. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes effective plant performance, adequate funding, adequate staffing, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by the permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### R. Disposal of Solids or Sludges

Solids, sludges or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or management of pollutants shall be disposed of in a manner so as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering State waters.

#### S. Duty to Mitigate

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

## T. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### U. Bypass

1. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Parts II.U.2. and U.3.

#### 2. Notice

- a. Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, prior notice shall be submitted, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
- b. Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Part II.I.

## 3. Prohibition of bypass

- a. Bypass is prohibited, and the Board may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:
  - (1) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
  - (3) The permittee submitted notices as required under Part II.U.2.
- b. The Board may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Board determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in Part II.U.3.a.

## V. Upset

- 1. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of Part II.V.2. are met. A determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is not a final administrative action subject to judicial review.
- 2. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - a. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
  - b. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
  - c. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Part II.I.; and
  - d. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part II.S.
- 3. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

## W. Inspection and Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative, upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

- 1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 2. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
- 4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law, any substances or parameters at any location.

For purposes of this section, the time for inspection shall be deemed reasonable during regular business hours, and whenever the facility is discharging. Nothing contained herein shall make an inspection unreasonable during an emergency.

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## X. Permit Actions

Permits may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

## Y. Transfer of Permits

- 1. Permits are not transferable to any person except after notice to the Department. Except as provided in Part II.Y.2, a permit may be transferred by the permittee to a new owner or operator only if the permit has been modified or revoked and reissued, or a minor modification made, to identify the new permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act.
- 2. As an alternative to transfers under Part II.Y.1., this permit may be automatically transferred to a new permittee if:
  - a. The current permittee notifies the Department at least 30 days in advance of the proposed transfer of the title to the facility or property;
  - b. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them; and
  - c. The Board does not notify the existing permittee and the proposed new permittee of its intent to modify or revoke and reissue the permit. If this notice is not received, the transfer is effective on the date specified in the agreement mentioned in Part II.Y.2.b.

#### Z. Severability

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.